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Festival of Trees fashion show draws large crowd for charity



Evert Nelson

Colorfully decorated Christmas rees lined the main hallway of the K-State Alumni Center on Monday, welcoming guests to the Ladies' Holiday

of Trees gave attendees a chance to get involved in the local community

Preview and Fashion Show. tion and fashion show. The event was The first event of the 2012 Festival sponsored by RSVP of the Flint Hills, a volunteer referral agency. Lori Bishop, executive by shopping at more than 40 vendors RSVP, estimated about 200 were in attendance at the event. Creta Toothaker, records assistant at the Alumni Center and resident of St. George, Kan., said she enjoyed

more than just the fashion show. "I like the quarter auction," she said. 'You get to choose what you bid on." The quarter auction took place

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along with the fashion show. Everything in the auction was items donated

from the various vendors at the event. Items varied from food to knitted hats. You get to give to the charities," Toothaker said. For one vendor, the event helped showcase products and also provided

a chance to network with different people. Annie Marie helped run the Pampered Chef booth at the preview.

"This is my first time doing some-thing like this," Marie said. "I'm meeting different people."

Marie said the item most popular among attendees was a margarita mix

for desserts. Although the main events took place in the ballroom, the Festival of

Trees was going on just outside.

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Thanksgiving burglary attempt lands K-State student in police custody

Mike Stanton assistant news editor

On Thanksgiving, K-State police officers thwarted an attempted burglary at Rathbone Hall. Acting on a report of a burglary in progress, the officers responded and arrested Zachariaĥ Martin Behling, 22, according to a news release issued by the university.

According to Captain Don Stubbings of the K-State Police Department, it is unknown at this time whether or not the break-in is connected with an earlier burglary at Seaton Hall on Nov. 18, in which computer equipment worth more than \$10,000 was stolen.

"It is believed that the suspect was intending on stealing laptop computers," Stubbings said in an email, adding that officers recovered a laptop at the scene. According to Stubbings,

during the break-in, an estimated \$100 worth of damage was done to the ceiling tiles in Rathbone, the middle section of the Durland-Rathbone-Fiedler

Engineering Complex. Behling, a student at K-State and 2009 graduate of Manhat-tan High School, is charged with burglary, theft, criminal damage to property and aggravated escape from arrest in the Rathbone case. He is being detained in Riley County Jail with bail set

The break-in took place just four days after the burglary at Seaton Hall, where computers were stolen from four architecture studios on the first and second floors. According to Stubbings, the investigation in both cases is ongoing, and anyone with information on either case is asked to contact the K-State Police Department at 785-532-6412.

President Kirk Schulz wins CASE leadership award

Darrington Clark managing editor

The Council for the Advancement and Support of Education has awarded Kansas State University President Kirk Schulz with the 2012 Chief Executive Leadership award.

The Chief Executive Leader ship Award is designated to a leader in higher education who can and does inspire his or her faculty with a vision. Schulz's K-State 2025 plan attracted the attention of CASE, a nonprofit association of educational institutions.

"The big thing Kirk's been able to do is pull together to look for a common goal," said Noel Schulz, assistant dean of research and graduate programs, professor in mechanical and electrical engineering and K-State first lady. "It's a goal to make K-State better."

President Schulz is currently out of the country on business, but his drive to push K-State stays on the forefront of faculty activities, even in his absence.

"Kirk can communicate so that people feel like a part of the big picture," Noel Schulz said. "He just enjoys interaction with people, and he does that through his monthly newsletters, through Facebook and

First lady Schulz said that the president's work is always supported and refined by the K-State faculty and staff.

"As the first lady, I administrate, but I'm also a faculty member," she said. "Kirk's not out there teaching classes. Our strength as a couple is that I can bring a faculty perspective in." She said President Schulz's

charisma, drive and transparent, visionary plan are what ultimately make him run the university and earned him the 2012 award.

"He lets people know that he's a real person, a normal guy," she said.

The award will be presented to President Schulz on Dec. 11 in Chicago.

"A rising tide raises all the boats," Noel Schulz said.



K-State President Kirk Schulz was named winner of the 2012 Chief Executive Leadership Award by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education. The award will be presented Dec. 11 in Chicago.

3-year-old entrepreneurship center receives award

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staff writer

The Center for the Advancement of Entrepreneurship was recently awarded the 2012 Emerging Center Award from the Global Consortium of Entrepreneurship Centers.

Led by Jeffrey Hornsby, professor of management and the Jack Vanier chair of entrepreneurship and innovation, the center is housed in the College of Business Administration. "The mission of the center

is to spread the entrepreneurial spirit across the K-State campus," Hornsby said, according to an Oct. 17 K-State press release. "The idea is to focus on encouraging students to think about starting

their own ventures." The Emerging Program Award is one of six national awards given annually by the U.S. Association for Small Business and Entrepreneurship to recognize quality entrepreneurship education and outreach programs.

TOP: A teddy bear rests in a tree on display for auction in the Alumni Center on Monday as part of the Festival of Trees, organized by RSVP of the Flint Hills. The festivities will end Friday with a gala, which will include an auc-

ABOVE: Spectators react to the fashion show going on at the Alumni Center Monday night. The fashion show was part of a ladies' preview for the Festival of Trees event, put on by RSVP of the Flint Hills, a volunteer referral agency.

The award is given to entrepreneurship programs that have been in existence for three years or less. Hornsby said that K-State's entrepreneurship program, which was launched in the fall of 2008, will continue offering new and advanced programs to serve K-State students, and also said the recognition will help the center gain more campus and community exposure.

The center was founded in 2008 under the provost's office and became part of College of Business Adminis-

tration in 2011. The center works to apply entrepreneurship to other disciplines through programs like the Hospitality and Entrepreneurship Lecture Series, hosted in collaboration with the College of Human Ecology. In 2011, the United States Association for Small Business and Entrepreneurship named the center as winner of the Emerging Program Award, according to the press

release. "In the 2 1/2 years since its inception, the K-State Center for the Advancement of Entrepreneurship has laid a solid foundation for entrepreneurship and venture creation on the K-State campus," said Yar Ebadi, dean of the College of Business Administration. "This award is a great accomplishment and supports our cross-campus approach to teaching and engagement of students in entrepreneurial thinking."

The center offers an entrepreneurship major and minor that is available to any K-State student. It also sponsors entrepreneurship university- and statewide competitions, including "The Next Big Thing," an annual entrepreneurial competition open to all K-State students on the Manhattan campus, and a similar competition based in Western Kansas called "Venture Kansas."

"We are thrilled to accept this award on behalf of our passionate students and visionary leader," said Chad Jackson, associate director of the center, according to the press release. "We are excited about the continued expansion of our programs and are looking forward to working with entrepreneurs across

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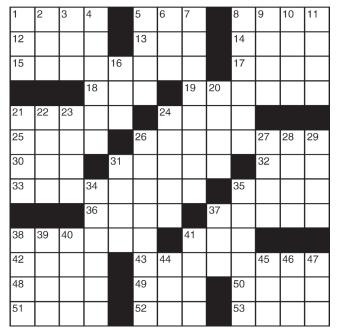
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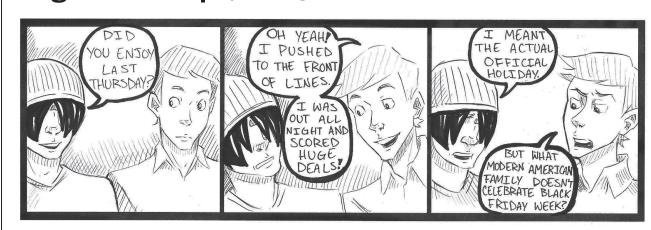


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Arturo David Beltran Cisneros, of the 1600 block of McCain Lane, was booked for criminal damage to property and nudity in a public place. No bond was set.

Monechia Shonte Fisher, of Topeka, was booked for driving with a canceled, suspended or revoked license. Bond was set at

Daniel Karl Dresen, of the 500 block of Osage Street, was booked for domestic battery. Bond was set at \$500.

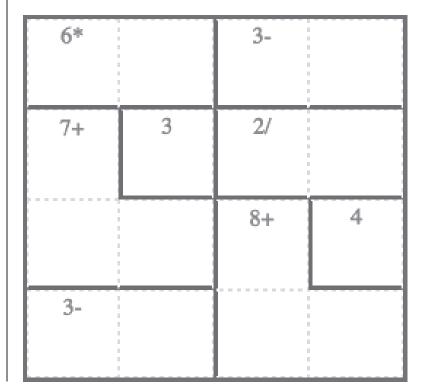
Brian Christopher Elliston, of the 6000 block of Tuttle Terrace, was booked for aggravated kidnapping, aggravated assault, aggravated battery, aggravated criminal threat, battery and criminal possession of firearm. Bond was set at \$100,000.

Jason Bernard Dean, of Chester, Penn., was booked for two counts of failure to appear, 16 counts of failure to register as an offender, sale or purchase of drugs through a commercial facility and receipt or acquisition of proceeds in violation of the Unified Controlled Substances Act. Bond was set at

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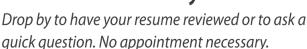


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White elephant gift exchanges a fun twist for friends

Morgan Moxley contributing writer

Presents that are normally handed out during the holiday season, like a new video game, perfume or gift cards, can be boring and pricey. If you and your friends are up for trying a new way to give gifts and show you care, a white elephant gift exchange can be a fun and cheap way to do that.

According to a *yahoo.com* article by Mari Johnson, there are two types of white elephant exchanges: "the gag gift," which is where people find the tackiest gifts they can give, and the "no purchase allowed," which is a gift that must come from your house and not bought.

Grant Hinckley, senior in nuclear engineering, participated in a white elephant gift exchange with his high school wrestling

"My team members were some of my closest friends, so we had a lot of fun with giving out random gifts," Hinckley said. "The

unconventional gifts given at these gift exchanges are hilarious. It is really funny with friends, but it would be a really awesome ice breaker if you did a party like this with people you weren't very

A white elephant gift exchange is not just another creative way to give gifts; it's the whole theme of the party. There are steps a person must take to properly throw a white elephant party, according to ehow.com.

You must inform the guests that the gifts must be wrapped so people can anticipate and be surprised by their awesome gift they're going to receive. Another part of Step 1 is having a designated spot for the presents.

Step 2:

Don't buy a present for a certain person. Make sure it's something generic that could work for pretty much anyone. At the party you pass around something, like a hat, that holds pieces of papers with numbers to inform the person what gift they open.

Step 3:

The person who gets No. 1 gets the first pick of the gifts, and then No. 2 picks a present, and so on. The tricky part of this type of gift exchange is that when someone unwraps a present, someone can "steal" a gift if they please. The fun part is, no one knows what they've chosen or stolen.

The gifts for a white elephant are usually tacky or humorous. Some examples from an article on vahoo.com included a can of beans, a sock puppet, blank CDs, batteries, mismatched or random salt and pepper shakers and fake

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Planning a holiday party: 5 ways to organize a low-stress gathering



Karen Sarita Ingram

Throwing a holiday party can be a lot of work and stress, but parties are supposed to be fun. If you want to throw a holiday party with less stress involved, it's important to be well-organized.

1. Invitations and RSVPs

Before you start inviting people, it's important to figure out how many people you can comfortably fit into your house. Assume that each guest is going to bring a plus one when you tally up the

numbers, and don't forget to take into account things like parking and inclement

When you send out the invitations, make sure your guests RSVP so you can keep track of how many people to expect and stock up on supplies accordingly. Facebook invites come in handy here because guests can also ask questions or provide feedback to any questions you have for them. I recommend that you send out invitations two weeks before the event and request that they respond with a firm answer no later than one week before the event, so that you can plan accordingly.

2. Food and other supplies It is recommended that

you encourage your guests to bring an appetizer, side or dessert item, but it is usually up to the host to provide an entrée of some kind. For holiday dinners this is usually going to be a turkey or ham, or perhaps both. It's usually a good idea to provide more than one option to appeal to a wider variety of

Now that you know how many people to expect, you will have a better idea of how much food is needed, but don't forget about nonfood items - namely, toilet paper and paper towels or napkins. Make sure you are well stocked up on both because they will be used up quickly.

3. Booze or no booze?

Many people assume that a party will offer alcohol, but this is actually a rather tricky decision. One thing to take into account is whether or

not any of your guests will be bringing children. Some people are okay with drinking around children, but others do not consider this a kid-friendly environment. This is something you have to discuss with your guests in advance, hence the two week buffer time I suggested in No. 1.

Even if children are not an issue there are other things to consider when deciding if alcohol will be involved, such as safety. If you have room to spare, you might consider encouraging your guests to bring a sleeping bag so they can stay if they've been drinking. If you do not have room, it would be courteous to make other accommodations, such as assigning a designated driver, especially if your place is in a location that makes walking home difficult for your guests.

4. Activities and themes

While the usual fare of drinking Jenga or beer pong might be in order, you might consider other things to keep your guests entertained and to help break the ice, especially if you opt for a booze-free gathering.

Having a theme or a costume party is an option. (Why should costumes be limited to Halloween?) If your friends have common interests, like gaming or sports, you can find ways to integrate activities based on those interests. A white elephant gift exchange can also provide a lot of laughs and help people get to know each other better.

If you're unsure of what to do, poll your guests and see if they have any ideas. Again, this is where giving yourself time to plan comes in handy.

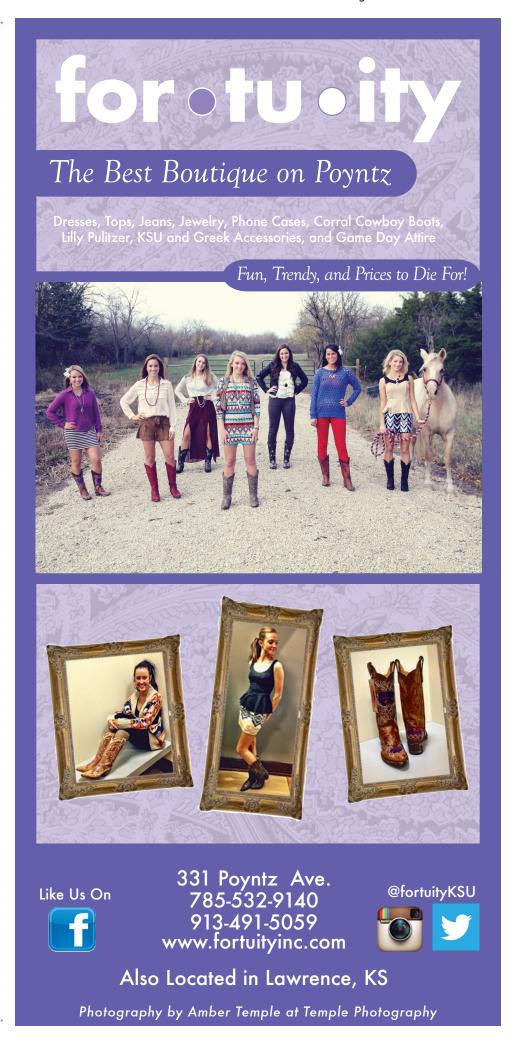
Don't be afraid to ask your friends for input. Someone might come up with a brilliant idea you hadn't considered and it will help them get excited about the party.

5. Try not to sweat the small stuff

Finally, don't forget to chill out and have fun. It's easy to stress about how everyone else is doing, but chances are everyone is going to have a good time, so you should, too. It does not have to be the perfect party and you don't have to be the perfect host. A little effort goes a long way, and having a host that is relaxed will help your guests to relax and enjoy the evening.

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6 tips for successul re-gifting (and when to avoid it)



Karen Sarita Ingram

Regifting can sound like a bad joke, but the truth of the matter is many people do it and it's not necessarily a bad thing. A 2011 survey by CouponCabin.com found that almost half of Americans have regifted an item before.

Regifting is not necessarily a matter of money, either. About a third of the people surveyed confessed to regifting because they didn't like the item, while another third said it was because they already owned another of the

I have regifted before for both of these reasons. Personally, I don't think there's anything wrong with regifting an item if you have a duplicate or if it's better suited for someone else. Regifting can offend some people, however, so you need a certain amount

Don't regift personal-ized or used items

If it's monogrammed, it's not appropriate to give to someone else. That's kind of a no-brainer. You also want to make sure it doesn't still have a label on it with your name or "love Aunt Thelma"

on it, or something. Likewise, giving somebody used clothing or a half-completed book of crossword puzzles is not thoughtful, it's just plain cheap and it makes you look bad. This brings me to...

2. Only regift new items
If it's a small appliance that you have a duplicate of, keep it in the box. If it's a food item, make sure it's not expired. If it's something that has been sitting around since last Christmas or two birthdays ago, ask yourself if it's really something you ought to be giving away as a present. It might be better to donate the item to goodwill, instead.

3. Make your intentions clear

If you're regifting an item because it's horrible, be sure to make it clear to the recipient that it's a gag gift. For example, if somebody gave you a really dreadful sweater and you have a friend who loves ugly Christmas sweaters, this might be the perfect gift for them – but make sure you let them know it's in good humor.

4. Don't regift to someone who knows it's a regift

There is a time and a place for everything. Sometimes it is okay to tell the recipient that this is a regifted item, but usually it's best not to. Use your judgment. If you choose to be covert about it don't do something stupid, like regift an item to a member of the family who saw you

unwrap it last year. They might get offended.

5 Don't make a habit out of it

If you're regifting because you're a poor college student, cheapskate" among friends ways that I have as a poor college student,

to start early. I mean, really early. This year I got my father his Christmas present during the summer. He had just had his birthday, but it was an item I knew he would love, so I got it knowing full and well that I would be sitting on it for months until December.

Frankly, I don't think there's anything wrong with that. There have been many times

during my college career that I have been broke, but not a single year has passed that I have been unable to get my family something for Christmas. I buy one thing here and one thing there throughout the year instead of waiting to buy everything at the same time. It makes a big difference.

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4 realistic, no-nonsense tips for watching your waistline during holidays



Karen Sarita Ingram

Cookies, candy, pie, turkey, ham, nuts, fruitcake. Is it any wonder that we gain weight this time of year? The period from Halloween to New Year's seems purposely designed to make us stay inside to keep warm and eat too much. The New England Journal of Medicine reported in 2000 that Americans gain about a pound during the holiday season. That might not sound like much, but the study also found that they don't lose that pound, so it just keeps adding up year after year.

I can see why. For Thanksgiving this year, for the first time in years, my family bought a pecan pie instead of making one. As I was eating a small slice and debating seconds, I picked up the box and glanced at the nutrition facts, then realized I had just ingested about 500 calories. Just from one small slice of pie. Egads!

While I could tell you to avoid all dessert items and stock up on fruits and veggies during the holiday season, I won't because that's ridiculous. Holidays are meant for celebrating and celebrating means you should enjoy you self. That being said, if you're on your third cup of eggnog on New Year's Eve as you resolve to lose weight, you may wish to rethink your method. So, what follows are four tips for watching your weight this holiday season – realistically.

1 Eat whatever you want — in moderation

You don't have to avoid all of your favorite foods to lose or maintain your current weight

- you just have to be aware of what you're eating and how

When getting presents for people don't ever be afraid

I love pecan pie and I only get it once a year, so I'm going to eat it gosh darn it. I'm glad we bought a pie this year and that I read the nutrition label. The simple act of knowing what I was doing to myself, caloriewise, caused me to go, "OK, I need to stop eating now.

Don't punish yourself - educate yourself. Read the labels and watch your portions.

2 Go outside

Yes, it's getting cold, but you burn slightly more calories in cold weather than you do in warm weather because your body is fighting to keep itself warm. So go for a walk to help work off that holiday food.

One of my favorite things to do this time of year is just stroll up and down Poyntz Avenue and look at all of the lights and decorations. Downtown Manhattan is lovely this time

of year. Bundle up and take a loved one with you, be that your significant other, a parent or your dog.

3. Watching what you eat includes beverages

Regardless of what time of year it is, you should think about what you're drinking, too. According to the National Center for Health Statistics, half of the U.S. population over the age of two drinks sugary beverages. The American Heart Association recommends you drink no more than three 12ounce sodas in a week, but the average male teenager drinks that much within a day or two. So, while you're being careful not to go back for seconds on pecan pie, think about what you're drinking. Whether it's soda pop or juice, anything with sugar has a lot of calories, and a lot of "juice" at the store is misleading and really unhealthy. Do you know how much fruit juice is in Sunny

and Much More...

Delight? Less than 5 percent. It's mostly sugar water.

Watching what you drink includes alcohol If your idea of "holiday

cheer" is eggnog that is more nog than egg, you're not alone. A Gallup Poll conducted this year found that alcohol consumption among U.S. adults is higher this year than last year. I'm not going to lecture about the health hazards of drinking or the moral aspect of it, because those are all arguments you hear all the time. Instead, I'm going to simply say that you should drink in moderation if you don't want to get fat. A big culprit is, of course,

beer. How many calories depends on the type. Your darker beers, like stouts and porters, are around 200 calories per 12-ounce bottle. Bud Light is 110 per bottle, but I often see people drinking enormous cups of the stuff at bars because it's on sale, so I think

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is even worse than beer. A 12-ounce can of Coca Cola contains 140 calories, whereas you get almost that many calories — 106, to be exact — from just 5 ounces of red wine. How many of you buy those big, cheap boxes of wine and stop drinking after five ounces?

Worst of all is hard liquor. Whiskey and vodka contain 65 calories — per ounce. Yes, one ounce. Think about how much you drank on your last bender, then for fun add up the calories for your mixers and chasers. Are you feeling fat yet? Now think about how badly you eat every time you get drunk. There you go.

Drink in moderation. The police thank you, and so does your waistline.

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TREES | Festival of Trees to conclude week with gala, auctions, dance

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The Festival of Trees Gala will be held on Friday at 6 p.m. at the Alumni Center. Á cocktail reception and silent auction will be followed by a live auction of the trees at 7:30 and a dance at 9. Tickets are \$65 at the door and \$50 in advance and are available online at rsvp.manhattanks.org.

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TOP: An auction attendee jumps into the air to claim her prize after her number was called during the quarter auction, held at the Ladies' Preview and Fashion Show on Monday night at the Alumni Center. The event was part of the Festival of Trees event series put on by RSVP of the Flint Hills.

BOTTOM LEFT: Spectators watch the fashion show at the Alumni Center on Monday night. The event also previewed the trees which will be auctioned off on Friday night at the Festival of Trees

BOTTOM RIGHT: Mignon Brown, Manhattan resident, watches the quarter auction from the BellaRae Boutique booth set up in the Ballroom of the Alumni Center on Monday night. This booth was one of about 40 at the Ladies' Preview and Fashion Show.







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Basketball points system flawed, should be adjusted



Getting students to attend early season men's basketball games has long been the bane of the K-State athletic department. No matter how good the current year's team is or how open their schedule is, a majority of student ticket holders seemingly refuse to attend games against schools that spectators would have trouble finding on a map.

The current incentive for students to watch the 'Cats play lesser-known schools is a point system that determines whether or not they qualify for entry into the ever-hyped KU game on Jan. 22. This system awards a point to student ticket holders for every game they attend, then reveals how many points are necessary to attend the KU game a few weeks prior to it.

Due to the Sunflower Showdown's popularity, there are usually more students who want to attend than there are seats in the student section. The points system is a great way to reward students who have been in attendance all season by giving them seating preference for the year's biggest home game over those who suddenly decided they care about basketball halfway through

the season.

There's just one problem: students have proven to be even less motivated to attend lopsided matchups than imagined, but they still want the extra incentive the athletic department is offering. It's no secret that a common practice among time constrained or apathetic students is to go through the gates of Bramlage, have their ticket scanned, then turn around and go home.

Since the point is awarded upon entry into the game, students are able to technically attend without actually staying in the stands. The result is a half-empty student section at tipoff that quickly dwindles into an embarrassing showing by the student section.

This practice of scanning tickets and then leaving is both confounding and embarrassing for the student section. If you're so disinterested in basketball that you can't find motivation to watch your team play a lesser opponent, why are you so concerned about earning points a single game?

Granted, these are college students; exams, jobs and other commitments might require some to leave a game early. Still the student section so far this season has been downright pathetic.

You'd think that if a student would go through the hassle of traffic and parking to get inside Bramlage Coliseum, they would stay and actually watch the game. Since this has inexplicably proven untrue, the athletic department needs to adjust the current points system to filter out those who are coming to games to support their team

from those who are coming solely for a point.

If an additional point were added to every game that was available to students upon exiting Bramlage, it would create a larger incentive for students to stay. Say beginning at the 10-minute mark of the second half, students were able to start having their tickets scanned again to receive that bonus point. With an additional point only available toward the end of the game, students couldn't simply bolt at tipoff and receive the same benefits as those who stayed the entire game.

Since the number of possible points available to students would drastically increase, the entry requirement for the KU game would suddenly become higher. Some students would still likely leave after entering the game and receiving the first point, but following that practice exclusively throughout the season wouldn't cut it any more if they hoped to attend the KU game.

It's a shame that extra incentive needs to be provided in order for students to attend basketball games, even if they are against inferior opponents. Due to many students exploiting the current point system, the athletic department should consider tweaking it to identify and reward those true fans that stay for the game from those who are simply taking advantage of a flawed

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Sophomore guard Angel Rodriguez dribbles up the court during K-State's Nov. 9 game against North Dakota in Bramlage Coliseum. Student attendance at home games is awarded by a point system that some abuse by scanning their tickets at the door and leaving early, resulting in a sparse student section.

Sound off: who should win the Heisman?

With Notre Dame to face the winner of Alabama/Georgia, there is no reason to debate who belongs in the national title, so the next option of debate is the Heisman Trophy. Debate simmers at K-State as quarterback Collin Klein – Mr. Consistent — has done more than enough to win the trophy but seems to have lost momentum after the Wildcats'

loss to Baylor. Meanwhile, Johnny "Football" Manziel the new kid — has captivated college football fans with his performance over the past month. With an opportunity to clinch the Big 12 Conference, Klein could get back in the race with a big game against Texas. Collegian editors Mark Kern and Mike Stanton sound off on who should win and why.



So many people think that the Heisman Trophy goes to the most talented player in the country, which is not the case. If that was the case, my vote would go to USC wide receiver Margise Lee, and I wouldn't think twice about it. However, it goes deeper than that. When John Heisman created the award in 1935 (originally called the Downtown Athletic Club trophy, it was renamed after his death in 1936), he wanted it to be more than on-field talents. According to heisman.

com, the award was meant for "the outstanding college football player whose performance best exhibits the pursuit of excellence with integrity."

Taking that into consideration, to me the obvious choice is Collin Klein. When looking at Klein, as great of a player as he is on the field, it's the way he goes about it that separates him from the rest of the field. On every team, the leader, whether or not he is liked, has the respect of the players. I have never seen a team that truly likes their leader like this Wildcats team does Klein. What he has done for this program the past two seasons is incredible. From his first career start two seasons ago against Texas at Bill Snyder Family Stadium to his final start this Saturday, he has done everything the right way.

Mark Kern is a senior in journalism and mass communications. Please send comments to



It takes a lot to be the most outstanding player in college football. More than leading your team to a national championship game. More than scoring 40-plus touchdowns. More than being the best

The three Heisman favorites,

Texas A&M quarterback Johnny Manziel, Notre Dame linebacker Manti Te'o and K-State's Collin Klein, have had extraordinary seasons. Te'o is a rare candidate on the defensive side of the ball, and Manziel could become the first freshman ever to win the award. Klein led K-State to a 10-0 start and will play for a Big 12 title next Saturday. But there's one other guy who hasn't been get-

ting the attention he deserves. Ohio State quarterback Braxton Miller led the Buckeyes to a perfect season. He deserves to be preparing to play Notre Dame for the national championship, but the sophomore will be watching that game, and every other bowl game, from home. Ohio State was banned from the postseason for violations of NCAA regulations that occurred under previous head coach Jim Tressel. Miller, coach Urban Meyer and the rest of the team are being punished for actions they had no part in.

With nothing but pride to play for, Miller stepped up and accomplished something truly special. His stats don't quite hold up to the other quarterbacks in the race, but he is the only one of them without a loss.

If that's not an outstanding performance, I don't know what is. Braxton Miller isn't going to get the shot he deserves to play for the national championship, not this year at least. If I had a Heisman vote this year, Miller is my guy.

Mike Stanton is a freshman in journalism and mass communica-tions. Please send comments to sports@kstatecollegian.com.

Two-minute drill: Rays keep Longoria

Nick Wahl

Don't say there is no longer any loyalty among friends in Major League Baseball. Tampa Bay Rays star third baseman Evan Longoria inked a 10-year \$100 million contract that could keep the 27-year-old with the club through the 2023 season if Tampa Bay exercises a club option that year, the Associated Press reported Monday.

Longoria, a two-time Gold Glover, hit .289 with 17 home runs and 55 RBI in an injuryshortened 74 games in 2012.

Lost amid the hoopla of this season's contenders for the BCS Championship Game, a group of party-crashers from the MAC looks to position itself for a BCS Bowl berth, according to a CBS Sports article by Tony

Barnhart on Monday.

Kent State currently sits at 11-1, and a slew of losses from teams just ahead of them in the BCS standings has allowed the Golden Flashes to jump from No. 23 to No. 17.

If they can get by No. 21 Northern Illinois in the MAC title game and move into the No. 16 position, Kent State could nudge out a potential atlarge berth from a BCS conference team. This would occur because at No. 16, the Golden Flashes would usurp the Big East's vacant automatic berth as there are no Big East teams currently eligible for an automatic spot in one of the BCS'

coveted bowl games.

Two key cogs in the upstart Seattle Seahawks defense are looking to appeal a possible four-game suspension amid the team's surprise playoff run.

Cornerbacks Browner and Richard Sherman were cited for violating the league's substance abuse policy after testing positive for amphetamines, according to CBS Sports' Jason La Canfora on Sunday.

It has been speculated that the players were taking the prescription drug Adderall, an accusation that Sherman has publicly denied.

Grinnell College's Jack Taylor, who scored a recordbreaking 138 points in the school's 174-104 win over Faith Baptist, was held to just 21 points in Grinnell's follow-up game to the attention-grabbing feat, ESPN reported Monday. Grinnell lost 131-116 to Wil-

liam Penn on Sunday. Taylor shot 6-of-21 from the field and 3-of-13 from 3-point range in



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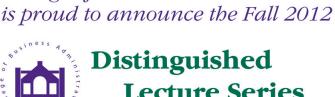


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